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SUBJECT: POLISH PRESS TREATMENT OF SECOND ANNIVERSARY OF
PARIS AGREEMENT

REF: WARSAW 544 (NOTAL); WARSAW 437 (NOTAL)

1. SUMMARY: POLISH PRESS TREATMENT OF THE PARIS AGREEMENT'S SECOND
ANNIVERSARY HAS GENERALLY FOLLOWED THE LEAD SET BY THE ZYCIE
WARSZAWY EDITORIAL REPORTED IN WARSAW 437. PRIMARY ATTEN-
TION HAS FOCUSED ON SAIGON'S ALLEGED VIOLATIONS OF THE
AGREEMENT, INTERNAL DIFFICULTIES OF THIEU'S REGIME, AND
CALLS FOR HIS OUSTER. THERE HAS BEEN PROMINENT REPORTING
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OF ACTIVITIES AND STATEMENTS SUPPORTIVE OF DRV AND PRG PO-

SITIONS EMANATION FROM THEIR OWN SPOKESMEN AND FROM SYMPATHETIC ELEMENTS AROUND THE WORLD. END SUMMARY.

2. CONTINUED US SUPPORT OF THE THIEU GOVERNMENT IS HIGHLIGHTED BY REPORTS OF THE ADMINISTRATION'S REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL AID ALLOCATIONS FROM CONGRESS. EXEMPLARY OF SUCH REPORTING IS TRYBUNA LUDU'S JANUARY 28 ROUND-UP OF PAP REPORTS FROM HANOI, MOSCOW, LONDON, WASHINGTON, AND ELSEWHERE. THE REPORT FROM HANOI NOTES LE DUC THO'S SPEECH IN WHICH HE CALLS ON THE US TO STOP SUPPORTING THIEU, WHILE THE BRIEF ITEM FROM WASHINGTON REPORTS A MASS MEETING ATTENDED BY SENATORS MCGOVERN AND KENNEDY AT WHICH THERE WAS "SHARP CRITICISM" OF THE ADMINISTRATION'S AID REQUEST.

3. THE WOJCICKI ARTICLE REPORTED IN WARSAW 544 FLOATS AN ALLEGATION CONCERNING CONTINUED US MILITARY INVOLVEMENT. IN A DETAILED DISCUSSION OF ALLEGED AGREEMENT VIOLATIONS, WOJCICKI CITES A STATEMENT OF THE PRG CHARGING THAT SAIGON IS SUPPORTED BY "25,000 AMERICAN MILITARY ADVISERS IN CIVILIAN CLOTHES,". WOJCICKI HAD NOTED IN HIS INTRODUCTION THAT THE ONLY ESSENTIAL POINT OF AGREEMENT THAT HAS BEEN FULFILLED IS THAT CONCERNING WITHDRAWAL OF US MILITARY UNITS.

3. THE BALANCE OF WOJCICKI'S ARTICLE CONCENTRATES ON SAIGON'S ALLEGED VIOLATIONS, DRAWING HEAVILY ON THE MAYNARD PARKER ARTICLE, AS PREVIOUSLY REPORTED. WOJCICKI MISCONSTRUES PARKER WITH THE APPARENT AIM OF PORTRAYING PRG MILITARY ACTIONS, INCLUDING SEIZURE OF PHUOC BINH, AS A JUSTIFIED RESPONSE TO SAIGON'S "AGGRESSION."

4. COMMENT: THER HAS BEEN LITTLE MENTION OF THE ICCS IN THIS RECENT PRESS COMMENTARY, EXCEPT FOR REFERENCES TO POLAND'S EFFORTS, AS AN ICCS MEMBER, TO BRING "LASTING PEACE" TO VIET-NAM. WOJCICKI'S STATEMENT ABOUT US MILITARY ADVISERS IS THE FIRST TIME WE HAVE NOTICED THIS ALLEGATION SINCE LAST JUNE (WARSAW 3262). ALTHOUGH WOJCICKI'S FORMULATION IS MORE DIRECT THAN THE ONE THAT APPEARED AT THAT TIME, WOJCICKI POINTEDLY ATTRIBUTES THE CHARGE TO THE PRG.

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